

EAST ST. JOHNSBURY.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Conner of Beaver Falls, Conn., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McLaughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knapp of Cambridge are at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Knapp, for their vacation. Mrs. Knapp is also entertaining her nieces, Misses Lizzie and Lucia Day of Lunenburg.

Miss Charlotte Morrill spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. E. M. Chapman, and Wednesday she went to Lunenburg to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson of Worcester, Mass., are at the home of Mrs. Johnson's father, Francis Brown, for a few weeks.

The "blues" very handsomely entertained the "reds" at the church vestry, Friday evening. A special feature of the entertainment was a prize speaking contest between six boys and six girls.

Edna Wood won the first prize, Eliza Shustansky the second, and Wallace Lee the third. The others did so well that the judges, which were Miss Charlotte Morrill and Mrs. Herbert Dean, and Miss Farr of St. Johnsbury, thought they also were entitled to a prize, so they very kindly contributed, for each 25 cents. A piano and violin duet by two little girls, Ethel and Hazel Kamage, was much enjoyed, also a solo by Carl Hovey and songs by others were heartily enjoyed. Although the "blues" were defeated in the contest all agreed that it would be hard to defeat them in entertaining, as they spared no trouble or expense in giving a most delightful entertainment.

Reception to Mr. Howland.

The Round Table of the South church gave a reception to Clark P. Howland, the president of the club, in the South church vestry last week Tuesday evening. There was a goodly attendance of others in the church besides the members of this men's club and several from the other churches. Rev. Edward T. Fairbanks made an excellent presiding officer and music was furnished during the evening by a male chorus with B. Frank Harris accompanist. Mr. Fairbanks introduced the speakers, all of whom spoke informally upon the great help Mr. Howland had been in the past three years to the church, to all its societies and to the advancement of any upward movement in St. Johnsbury. The speakers were Rev. Dr. C. H. Merrill, Prof. Henry Fairbanks, Rev. J. M. Frost and Rev. George W. C. Hill. Mr. Fairbanks then presented Mr. Howland with a set of Lowell's writings. Mr. Howland responded very feelingly, and in a short address said he had tried to be of help in the community and do his part wherever he thought duty called.

Land Sales at Fairlawn.

Last week Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and Monday afternoons Pleasant street in Paddock Village was crowded with all manner of teams and with hundreds of people. The occasion was the real estate auction promoted by T. B. Munroe & Co. of Boston, involving the public sale of the land owned by the Dr. J. R. Nelson estate. Beautiful presents were given away to advertise the auction and the attendance was good. Among those who secured lots are the following: Edson B. Jenkins, lots one and two; George H. Stuart, lot No. 8; E. N. Brunelle, lot No. 19; Herbert Conley, lot No. 26; Mrs. LaRue, lot No. 16 and 17; William Dane, lot No. 10; Irourg F. Rouillard, lot No. 9.

The disposal of so much building space to enterprising citizens is a decided forward movement in the town's progress. People all over New England are watching the real estate in St. Johnsbury. In fact, it was said the other day by a man who knows, that land buyers were more anxious to hold slices of real estate in St. Johnsbury, than in any other place in the state. The only thing that we need for a "boom" is that long promised electric car line.

Among the Law Breakers.

Adolphus Shepherd was brought to the county jail from Barnet, Monday, by Deputy Sheriff Garfield, where he was arrested on the charge of disposing of stolen property. A telephone message informed Sheriff Winch of the presence in Walden of Shepherd who was wanted on the above charge, having sold a horse on which a Hardwick party had a claim, and that Mrs. Cyrus Gochie was with him. The latter was wanted on a charge of kidnapping. Shortly after the birth of a child nine years ago, she departed from Walden with a band of gypsies, leaving her husband, a worthless character, and the daughter behind. The child was given into the custody of the town where it remained until four years ago, when the mother appeared and asked that she might take it with her for a few days. Permission was given and neither Mrs. Gochie or the child were again heard from until Monday. Shepherd will be arraigned on the charge against him, but it is doubtful if the kidnapping charge will be pressed, as the girl has again been delivered over to the Walden authorities.

William Pocock was last Friday transferred from the county jail to the house of correction at Rutland under orders from Governor Prouty.

Explaining the Railroad Accident.

The Public Service Commission have reported their findings in the recent derailment of the "Air line" near Barnet and their official report here follows:

A public investigation as to the cause of this accident held at St. Johnsbury on July 22, revealed the following facts: On the Boston & Maine railroad, about two miles north of the passenger station at Barnet, there are a series of reverse curves which have given that section of the road the name of "Snake Alley."

About 4:14 p. m. on June 26, 1909, as the regular north bound train, No. 41, consisting of a locomotive and seven cars, and carrying about 170 passengers, was rounding one of these curves at a speed of about 35 miles an hour, the whole train was suddenly derailed, doing hardly any damage to the equipment, and inflicting injuries to passengers as follows:

Mrs. Timothy Lassond, Concord, N. H., arm hurt; Mrs. L. A. Shaw, St. Johnsbury, rib broken; Miss A. J. Parker, West Derby, arm injured; Morris Largy, Littleton, an employee of the road, bruised about the leg; Mrs. C. E. Graves, Cambridge, Mass., arm hurt; F. E. Ring, baggage master, Boston, Mass., shoulder injured; Mrs. Addie Rogers, Plymouth, N. H., bruised about the shoulder and abdomen.

The train did not separate, nor was the air brake mechanism at all injured, but the engineer stopped the train by the emergency application of the air brake. The cause of this accident must be largely a matter of conjecture. We can find no trouble with the ties, rails, or roadbed, though new rails had been ordered for that section.

From all the evidence we are inclined to think that the derailment was caused by the "kinking" of the track due to the expansion of the rails caused by the excessive heat on that day. We cannot find that the railroad is to blame in the matter. It is wonderful that an accident did not result in a greater disaster, and we have earnestly endeavored to discover the cause so as to take measures to protect the public in that regard, but with only the result stated. We are satisfied that this section of the road is now in first-class condition.

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTER.

Charles Hughes, who has been spending several weeks at Rev. J. K. Kilbourne's, has returned to Wisconsin.

Miss Madeline Chaffee, who has been visiting relatives at Lowell, returned home the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Colbath, Herbert Campbell and two sons, Emerson and

Clifton, with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hovey of St. Johnsbury and parties from West Burke have been camping at Willoughby Lake.

Arthur Butler, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to Boston, Saturday. Mrs. Butler and baby will return Saturday.

Mrs. Chester of Canada and Mrs. Hubbard of Lyndonville have been guests of Mrs. M. D. Parks.

Mrs. P. N. Granger and Mrs. Lee have gone to Walden to visit friends and relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Kilbourne, who have been visiting his brother, Rev. J. K. Kilbourne, have returned to Massachusetts.

Miss Edna Brown and Miss Lucy Hutchinson, who have been at Johnson Normal school, returned home Saturday. There will be preaching at the Hall next Sunday, when Rev. Mr. McLaughlin will speak.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Robie of West Somerville, Mass., spent Thursday and Friday at Mrs. Jonathan Huntley's.

Miss Lena Hallett has gone to Newport and West Derby to visit relatives.

Miss Ruth Berry of Worcester, Mass., is the guest of Miss Maud Berry.

Miss Louise Robinson and friend of Westmore have been visiting at Mrs. Robinson's.

The ladies of the Universalist society will hold a lawn party at Mrs. Mary Hallett's, Thursday evening. Ice cream and cake will be for sale.

The regular business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society will be held Wednesday evening after the prayer meeting.

The Wide Awake Grange will hold a picnic at Joe's Pond, Friday. A cordial invitation is extended to all of the other grangers.

Miss Ida Henett and friend of Norwood, Mass., were guests of Mrs. William Roberts, Friday.

Miss Hattie Roy of Danville and Mrs. Viola Harvey of Cabot have been visiting at Mrs. E. H. Hallett's.

Mr. and Mrs. Colby and three children, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Jennie Forsythe, returned to Manchester, Friday.

About 100 attended the picnic at the Green Mountain Hall, given by Chamberlin Post and Woman's Relief Corps, Wednesday. There were representatives from Waterford, Concord and St. Johnsbury, besides a number from this place. A fine program was given and all had a pleasant time.

Miss Nellie Wheeler has been visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Counter at East Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Emerson have been visiting at Passumpsic and St. Johnsbury.

Marcelon Patterson of California, and Miss Rose Thompson of Medford, Mass., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson.

Chase for Horse Thief.

Just as the hired man was about to retire Saturday night on the farm of A. J. Higgins, he saw a figure steal into the barn. Informing Mr. Higgins and arming himself with a revolver, he crept out to find a man hitching up a horse. In some way the would-be robber slipped through the door in the darkness and chase was made at once. Five shots were fired at the fugitive, but he gained the river and escaped, for the pursuer was barefoot and rough going forced him to stop.

Berl Green Corn Salad.

Boil young, fresh corn on the cob in salted water for twenty minutes. Remove from the fire and wrap in a napkin until cold. Cut from the cob with a sharp knife and mix with thick Berl Mayonnaise and put on ice. Remove the skin of some firm, smooth tomatoes, cut a slice from the stem end, take out enough of the seed part to make a well for the corn, and place these on the ice, also. Just before serving line a salad platter with crisp lettuce, with a spoonful of Berl Mayonnaise on each top.

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Items of Interest.

It is stated by a German biologist that the two sides of the face are never alike in two cases out of five the eyes are out of line; one eye is stronger than the other in seven persons out of 10; and the right ear is generally higher than the left.

A Chicago man, who evidently does not like the honk of an automobile horn, wants a law passed which shall require all motor cars to be equipped with a set of sleigh bells. Some machines make noise enough of themselves without having any more loose junk attached to them.

Preston Judkins of Brunswick, Me., has a pair of bulls that does all the work generally done by horses. Fred West of the same town has a team of cows which he drives in harness. The cows keep in good shape, yield milk, and their owner is marketing butter from them. Mr. West uses this team in much of his farm work.

The University of Leipzig, which celebrated the fifth centenary of its foundation, July 20, conferred the degree of doctor of laws on Theodore Roosevelt. It was the only foreigner thus honored. Among others to receive degrees were King Frederick of Saxony, Count Ferdinand Zeppelin, the German aeronaut, Gerard Hauptmann, the German author and Prof. Fritz von Uhde, the German painter.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Bowman, senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, recently celebrated his 92nd birthday. In Orange, N. J. Bishop Bowman has the distinction of having lived longer than any other Methodist Bishop. He is well preserved and seldom fails to take a long walk daily. He was elected Bishop thirty-seven years ago. He has traveled around the world twice and has officiated at religious gatherings in Canada, Mexico, Europe, Japan, India and China. He was chaplain of the United States Senate during the last two years of Lincoln's life. Eight years ago he retired from active work.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

THE NATION'S GROWTH.

Our Increase in Population Since the First Census.

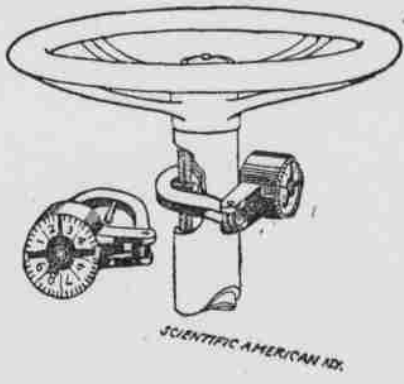
At the first census but six cities reported a population of approximately 8,000 inhabitants. Compared with this number in 1900 there were 286 cities and towns in the same area having a population of 8,000 or more. In Rhode Island alone, the smallest of all the states, there were more cities of 8,000 inhabitants than there were in the entire United States in 1790. The aggregate population of all cities in the area enumerated in 1790, which in 1900 reported more than 50,000 inhabitants, was 185,207 in 1790, and 10,259,186 in 1900.

Although the total population of the United States increased rapidly from 1790 to 1900, the relative population weight of New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Baltimore increased even more rapidly. In 1790 their combined population was but little more than 100,000 and formed but 2.4 per cent of the population of the republic, but in 1900 it was approximately 6,000,000, or nearly fifty-eight times as great as in 1790, and formed 7.6 per cent of the population of the republic. The population in 1900 of the area actually enumerated as comprising these four cities in 1790 was 500,800, or a sixfold increase of population within the original city limits.

AN AUTOMOBILE LOCK.

Clamps the Steering Gear So That It Cannot Be Turned.

A convenient combination lock has recently been devised which may be attached to the steering column of an automobile so as to prevent it from being operated. A quarter inch hole is drilled through the outside and inside casings of the steering column, and the hasp of the lock, which passes around the column, is formed with a lug adapted to enter this hole. When the lug is locked in this position it is impossible to turn the steering gear, which makes the car utterly useless.



NEW AUTOMOBILE LOCK.

to any one who is unable to open the lock.

The lock is of the three tumbler type and is of such form that it may be operated in the dark as readily as in the light. The combination may be changed at a moment's notice. A modification of this lock has been devised which is of the four tumbler type and may be adjusted for different sizes of steering columns.

Disposal of Cellulose Waste.

The waste waters of cellulose factories contain organic matter which is not in itself a source of pollution to streams into which it is thrown, but which may become noxious through fermentation. The best method of preventing fermentation, according to Vogel, consists in diluting the wastes very freely. This may be accomplished by mixing together the ordinary wash water and the alkaline baths in which the raw materials have been boiled for the purpose of freeing the cellulose from other substances. The mixture is then thrown into the stream with violence in order to insure its rapid dissemination through the water. It is not necessary to neutralize wastes laden with sulphurous acid if sufficient dilution is secured, but it must be remembered that fish are killed by one part (by weight) of sulphurous acid in 2,000,000 parts of water.

Prolific Strawberry Vines.

Colonel Frank Touverle, a rancher living near Medford, Ore., is said to have produced a deep rooted vine which brings forth three crops of berries in a season, which result has been obtained by grafting alfalfa roots on the roots of the strawberry vine, says the Scientific American. Alfalfa roots deeply and produces three to five crops a year without irrigation. It occurred to him that strawberries might do the same if the vine could be made to extend down far enough, so as to receive moisture from the soil throughout the season.

A Chinese Planisphere.

A fortunate chance has been the means of directing attention to a circular bronze instrument owned by the Royal Scottish museum, Edinburgh, and now identified by E. B. Knobel, P. R. A. S., as a planisphere, or map of the heavens, of Chinese origin, on which the stars are disposed in raised and linked dots according to the Chinese constellations. Whether on metal or paper, such planispheres are rarely met with. Even the British museum does not possess an example.—London Graphic.

Chinese Ink.

Chinese ink is made by carbonizing a mixture of colza or sesame oil, varnish and lard and mixing the product with gum water and a little camphor and musk. The paste thus obtained is beaten with steel hammers on a block of wood. A metallic luster is given to the ink by adding from 25 to 140 leaves of gold to each pound. The ink is then pressed and dried in wooden molds.

First Wheel Clock.

Some say that Archimedes made the first wheel clock as early as 200 B. C. Others give credit to Wallingford, who lived so late as the beginning of the fourteenth century. But the most perfect water clocks were, long before the latter period, furnished with wheels, so that the only improvement was the substitution of a solid body to act as a moving weight instead of water. It is not to be wondered at that the application of a weight to clocks as a moving power should attract so little attention, as water and sand were undoubtedly thought more convenient by contemporary writers. The oldest complete clock moved by weights is probably that sent by the sultan of Turkey to Frederick II. in 1232. In the thirteenth century many of the church steeples in Italy were furnished with clocks moved by weights, which struck the hours. Hele of Nuremberg is supposed to have constructed the first watch in 1500, and to him must also be given the credit of the spring clock. The fusee was probably invented in England about the end of the sixteenth century. But it was not until the middle of the seventeenth century that the pendulum was first applied to clocks by Huyghens.

Boar Hunting in Brittany.

Boar hunting in Brittany is full of exciting incidents, and the boars seldom die unavenged, for, though they are beset by mounted hunters and peasantry on foot armed with guns, the lifeblood of many a hound is drawn before the savage old tusker yields up his life. His dangerous powers of offense cease only with his last gasp. Though the grip of the bulldog, the yelping of the hounds, the din of horns and the cries of the beaters may force him from his lair to seek refuge in flight, that withdrawal may be set down rather to prudence and disgust than to any fear. When at last he is brought to bay, with his back against a rock or a tree trunk, he is ready to defy a host. Met in a narrow alley of the forest, neither man nor horse can withstand the avalanche of his onset. Not infrequently the hunter who loves his hounds will feel but little triumph even in the death of many boars if, having begun the season with a large pack, he ends it with a miserable remnant, having left all his best and bravest dogs on the field of battle.

Two Ways of Telling It.

Once upon a time a Persian king in his sleep dreamed that all of his teeth fell out before him, one by one. He summoned a soothsayer and asked him to interpret the dream.

The soothsayer said, "O king, the meaning of thy dream is that thy family and relatives shall die in thy presence, one by one, till all are gone." The king was very angry at that and sent the soothsayer at once to

prison. When he sent for another soothsayer and again asked for an interpretation of the dream.

The soothsayer made answer, "O king, the interpretation of thy dream is that thy family and relatives shall die, one by one, and thou thyself shalt outlive them all."

With this answer the king showed approval and commanded that a present be given to the interpreter and that he should be sent home with honor.

Exception to the Rule.

"I have a boy in my school of whom I am very fond," said a New York teacher smilingly, "but I fear to think what his future may be."

"Indeed? Does he evince—er—criminal tendencies?" some grave person who had missed the smile inquired. "Well, I am afraid he may become a writer for funny papers," the teacher suggested tentatively. "You see, I was having a history review one day, and I asked this boy who was Peter the Great. He answered, 'A czar of Russia.'"

"And was there more than one Peter the Great?" I asked.

"He appeared to ponder for a moment and then replied, 'No, Miss Mary, that was a case in which history didn't re-Pete itself.'—Judge.

"The Picnic Stretch."

Though a brilliant conversationalist, George Meredith had, of course, his silent moods, and he happened to be in one of them at a certain picnic. Next to him sat a lady, herself a good talker, who had been looking forward to this meeting for days and, it may be guessed, preparing for it—in vain. The only sentence that passed his lips was when he reached slightly across her for the salt—"Excuse the picnic stretch."—Manchester Guardian.

Very Affectionate.

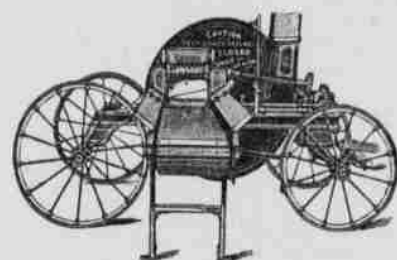
Mr. Headstall—That horse you brought yesterday seems a vicious looking animal. Is he affectionate? Mr. Cropper—Affectionate? I should think so. Why, when he came out of the stable he stood upon his hind legs and tried to embrace me.

The Best Clubs.

They tell a story in Wall street that Mr. Morgan once replied to a young friend who had asked him what were the best clubs to belong to in New York, "Young man, the very best clubs to devote your time to are Indian clubs."

Fooled Him.

Country Drummer (with cigars)—Pardon me; have you a match? Village Loafer (tentatively)—Yas, but I haven't no segar. Country Drummer—Good! In that case you won't need the match!—Chicago News.



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